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Republican County Convention.
The republicans of Platte county, Ia., will meet in delegate convention at the court house in Council Bluffs at 11 o'clock a. m., on the 25th day of June, 1886, for the purpose of selecting delegates to attend the republican judicial convention to be held at Council Bluffs, June 30, 1886, and to elect delegates to attend the republican state convention to be held at Des Moines August 25, 1886, and also to select delegates to attend the republican congressional convention of this district to be held at such place and time as may hereafter be called; and to transact such other business as may properly come before the convention.

The basis of representation will be one delegate for each township or voting precinct, and an additional delegate for every fifty votes or fraction thereof twenty-five votes for Hon. William Larrabee as the general election. This will entitle the several townships to representations as follows:

Del.	Del.
Kane, 1st precinct.....	1
" 2d ".....	1
" 3d ".....	1
" 4th ".....	1
Boomer.....	2
Belknap.....	2
Center.....	2
Carson.....	2
Crescent.....	2
Greene.....	2
Garner.....	2
Hardin.....	2
Hazel Dell.....	2
James.....	2
Key Creek.....	2
Knox.....	2
Total.....	100

Unless otherwise ordered the primaries for the selection of delegates will be held on Saturday evening, June 26, at 8 o'clock.
By order of the Republican County central committee.
JACOB SIMS, Chairman.
COUNCIL BLUFFS, June 10, 1886.

MINOR MENTION.

New York Plumbing company.
New summer goods at Reiter's.
The city council meets to-night.

The work of repainting and refitting the Pacific house has commenced. A change was made in the police force yesterday by which Officers Beswick, O'Brien and Lewis go onto duty, the others going on nights.

In the district court yesterday the trial of Ketchum for selling mortgaged property was on trial, occupying most of the day. It is expected that the Coffman case will be called on to-day.

Mrs. Randall, the famous fortune teller, will remain at No. 615 Eighth street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues, two weeks longer before moving to Omaha. Tells past, present and future. Ladies 25 cents, gents 50 cents.

The city jail register was filled up yesterday, and a new book opened. The old one contains the names of those arrested by the police since St. Patrick's day, 1885, and shows a total of 1,764, or an average of about 125 a month.

The county board of supervisors yesterday spent most of the day in auditing the accounts of the superintendent of the poor, and in attending to routine business, granting permits to sell intoxicants, etc.

There has been found on the prairie near where Sixth street and Eighteenth avenue meet a small piece of silver and silver thimble. The owner can have them by applying to the Milwaukee & St. Paul round house, and paying for this notice.

A return game of base ball will be played to-morrow afternoon at the driving park between the Red Oaks and Mueller music company nines. In the game between these two clubs on May 21st, at Red Oak, the Mueller nine was beaten, but they think they can now "down Red Oak."

Last evening the ordinance of baptism was administered in the baptistry of the Scandinavian Baptist church by Dr. McCrary, pastor of the M. E. church of this city, on a young lady, who insisted on being immersed before becoming a member of his church. A large congregation witnessed the impressive ordinance.

The reportorial table of the BEE yesterday was made bright and attractive by a beautiful bouquet placed there with the compliments of Mr. and Mrs. L. Kirscht. The roses were a sample of the wonderful showing at their residence, one rose bush alone having about two thousand, and the bush standing about fifteen feet tall.

The school board held a special meeting yesterday afternoon, at which it was decided to insure all of the school buildings in the city; also reserve a room over George A. Beard's wall paper store, No. 502 Broadway, for the use of the board. They also agreed to allow Mr. Thomas Officer to put up four electric lights on the top of the boomers school building, as per petition which was presented to the board.

It is easy enough for a cheap editor to sneer at the BEE for giving the public the benefit of such information as it can glean in regard to the home of the homeless, but it is singular that not one of these sneering scribblers has thus far dared to stake even a cheap reputation by declaring that the home management is all right. Why, if there is nothing to the charges published, do not some of these eager sneerers have the manhood to declare their belief to that effect. The BEE readers, however, the fact, and they can judge for themselves, while the timorous fellows who do not know what to say only, "Don't read the BEE," stand in the shade of doubt, and trembling.

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Our refrigerators are going very fast. Good goods and low prices tell. Cooper & McGee.

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Go to Beard for room mouldings.

John Templeton has moved his cigar factory to 550 Broadway, opera house block.

If you want to invest a few dollars where it will save many times the amount in labor and doctors' bills, buy an American washer of Cooper & McGee.

Noonday Blace.
About 1:15 o'clock yesterday afternoon an alarm of fire was sent in over the American District telegraph company's wire and also over the telephone, calling the department to the meat market of Eugene Mottaz, No. 108 upper Broadway.

The fire originated in the rear of the building in the smoke house, the loss being about \$300, which was fully covered by insurance in the Hawkeye and the Council Bluffs insurance companies.

BETTER BEN A POOR HOUSE

Statement of a Doctor Who Attended the Homeless Orphans.

FILTH, HUNGER AND SICKNESS.

A Small Blaze—Council Bluffs Oratory—The Coming Benefit For the Industrial School—Other Bluffs News.

More Home Talk.

The statement published in the BEE, exposing the affairs at the Home of the Friendless, or the Christian Home, as it is called, have caused no little stir. Many are expressing their willingness to corroborate these statements if some proper committee is selected to examine the witnesses. The effect of the publication of the statements of these persons who know of the home affairs will doubtless be a speedy cleaning up of the home, a washing of the children, and a getting in readiness for some committee to visit the home and find everything in apple-pie order. Such a visitation and such a finding will not, however, satisfy the public, in view of the claims of so many that for much of the time since the home was started there has been filth, poor and insufficient food, and harsh treatment of children. The children of the home have been taken out to ride since the article appeared in the BEE, and there will doubtless be no cause for complaint now, even if such claims have existed up to now. How long the better condition of affairs will continue is a harder question to answer. The public will not be satisfied until the truth or falsity of the charges made as to the past history of the institution is established.

Many new details are coming to the BEE in support of the statements already made. If Mr. Lemen had declared to the public that the children were not having enough to eat, that they were not being properly cared for, that they had to sleep many in a bed, that they were troubled with vermin, and suffering from other troubles, and all because the children kept crowding into the home faster than they could find homes for them, and that all this was due to a lack of means, the public might respond with more contributions, and he might be relieved from responsibility largely. But he declares that the children are being well cared for and educated. Here is his utterance in his own paper: "It does seem that in days of great need the store of provisions does not properly give out. When we have been unable to buy we have all had plenty and to spare off of a store of provisions that refused to diminish in accordance with natural law. The children are hearty and happy and have received spiritual and mental training far in advance of all public institutions as freely admitted by all who have visited here."

It seems, therefore, that Mr. Lemen deems the provisions plenty and to spare, and the education better than that of any public institution. Knowing that Dr. A. J. Cook, a well known physician of this city, had served as physician of the home for some time, the BEE man made inquiries of him yesterday as to what he knew of the condition of affairs there.

"How long were you the attending physician of the home, doctor?"

"From soon after its organization until I tendered my resignation last October. I think about two years."

"Was it a salaried office?"

"No, sir; simply a donation to the home. The first year I furnished medicines free, as well as treatment, and after that I simply furnished my professional services free."

"What led you to sever your connection with the institution?"

"I considered the management bad, and the amount of fault found with the home by the general public led me to believe that I had better sever my connection with the institution."

"Was this separation a friendly one?"

"Yes; and the manager in accepting it gave me a very nice letter of thanks for my services."

"How frequently did you visit the home during these two years?"

"Sometimes every day for a week or ten days in succession, and probably on an average once or twice a week during my whole term of service there. I frequently had cases requiring my attention twice a day."

"During those visitations did you notice any causes for these complaints which you say you had heard from the general public and, what were they?"

"I thought I did. In the first place, the location itself is not fit for such a home. The ground is too low, and inclined to be marshy. When I took charge of it there was water standing in the lot itself and mud and water in the basement. I ordered dry earth thrown into the cellar and the timbers of the floor whitewashed, etc. I found the stagnant water from the ceiling dripping through into the well, which stood about six feet distant. The drinking water was contaminated. I also found slop and dish-water thrown indiscriminately about the well, without any regard to the welfare of those compelled to drink this well-water. This cause of complaint was occasionally remedied for a short time, but every now and then I found the filth being thrown out as before. The home being recently established, it was inadequate to the accommodations. The air was necessarily impure, on account of the crowded condition of the quarters. Under the first matron, Mrs. Rockefeller, it was conducted as well as it was possible to do, as she was overtaxed and her facilities cramped. She always aimed to keep the children clean and cared for them, but she was often interfered with by the fault-finding and tyrannical overbearing of the manager."

"At the time of your resignation, last fall, were the sanitary conditions and surroundings much improved from what you originally found them?"

"No, sir. I consider them worse in fact, owing to the violation of my orders and constant neglect to carry out suggestions for improvements. This was really why I did not care to be longer held responsible for the health of the inmates. I do not blame the matrons for the condition of affairs, as they had been overworked and overburdened, but the manager should certainly have seen that these changes were made."

"What do you know about the food?"

"The first year I think there was an abundance, and moderately well prepared. Subsequently it became bad in quality and insufficient in quantity. Coffee and tea were shut off, and no milk except for a few of the little ones. The diet was mainly corn meal, sorghum molasses and an inferior quality of potatoes. The bread was about the only thing that was good, and there was not enough of that. When bakers' bread run short, corn meal mush and corn bread of an inferior quality was used. The potatoes were generally poor, and cooked and served with the peelings on frequently. No meat was allowed except occasionally, and in small quantities. The manager insisted on a vegetable diet almost exclusively, potatoes being the chief vegetable, occasionally a few cabbage and turnip, but only occasionally."

"From what you observed during the last year of your stay do you see a reason, consider that the children had a proper amount of suitable food?"

"No, I do not."

"How about the cleanliness of the home and children?"

"I usually found them in a filthy con-

dition. There were no facilities for bathing, except perhaps in a tub or pail. If the matron found time to give them an occasional ablution, and then there was no hot water, well water being used. Portions of the bedding seemed clean at times, but the bedding for the little ones was very filthy at times, and the quarters not suitable. I did not consider the bedding for the quarters healthy for the inmates. Several would be huddled in one bed, which was far from healthy in those close, badly ventilated rooms. I was told by the older inmates of the home that lice were bad bugs and body lice there, but I did not investigate this branch of the subject."

"How about the heating in winter?"

"In the winter they had a stove in the parlor and a coal stove in the kitchen. They had about thirty or thirty-five inmates, and they were terribly crowded, but I think the heat was ample, but the ventilation was very bad."

"Do you think that the disease was caused by this lack of proper food, proper ventilation and proper care?"

"I certainly do. I often wondered that there was not more. I usually had a good deal of trouble in getting to the inceptions of any sickness and by frequently visiting the home, and watching closely, was able to ward off any special epidemic. The scarlet fever broke out once there, I managed to stop it. Constant vigilance was required to combat disease in the face of these unfavorable sanitary conditions."

"Where were the sick ones taken care of?"

"Generally in the parlor, which is about 12x14, and an adjoining bedroom, which was very small. I have seen as many as five or six lying in these two rooms at one time. These quarters were not suitable, but were the best that were provided."

"Were there any deaths at the home?"

"There were none during my term as physician, except the death of a child which was put to sleep as usual, apparently well, and an hour later was found dead."

"Doctor, you have visited poor houses, have you not?"

"Well, now, do you consider these children as being cared for as well in this christian home as they would be in the average poor house?"

"I have visited a good many poor houses, and all because the children better cared for, Mills county, for instance. Another trouble that I found, was that the managers would never advise with me concerning the arrangements at the home, and everything that was done for the bettering of the condition of affairs had to be almost forced, and in the face of frequent opposition on his part."

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Beard has an immense stock of wall paper and room mouldings which must be sold into cash, so down go the prices at Beard's.

Mullen Acquitted

The trial of D. J. Mullen on the charge of embezzling from the money loaner Crofts, his employer, has resulted in his acquittal. The evidence looked rather dark for Mullen when stated for the prosecution, and showed that he had been from time to time making fictitious loans and pocketing the money. The defense claimed that these loans were not fictitious, but that the money was loaned to parties who were worthless, and that he had not deliberately caused these losses, and that they were such as might naturally occur in any such business. The testimony of many who heard the evidence was rather in favor of Mullen, they feeling that Crofts was pursuing methods as a money lender which did not entitle him to much sympathy, and that if Mullen did not show all the business rectitude and carefulness which he should, yet the way in which the business was conducted by Crofts was such that it was not so bad after all for Mullen. He has been sent forth with his record made clean by a formal acquittal, and again enters the employ of C. F. Reed & Co., of Omaha, who, like others of his friends, evidently have faith in him.

The Mueller music company is crowded for room. They are thinking of putting up a warehouse to accommodate their increasing business.

Go to the New York Plumbing company for garden hose. They warrant all they sell. Opera house block.

Why buy a poor gasoline stove when you can get a "Quick Meal" at the same price? Cooper & McGee have them.

An Honor to Council Bluffs

At the recent dedication of the supreme court chambers at Des Moines, Mr. J. N. Baldwin of this city was assigned the duty of representing the bar of the entire state. The honor was a high one to confer upon so young a member of the bar, but it was more than a personal tribute, it being a recognition of Council Bluffs, of which the citizens as well as the members of the bar will feel proud. The manner in which Mr. Baldwin filled the position assigned him on this important occasion, and the manner in which he was heard on all sides add to the honors won by him and give occasion for Council Bluffs to take to itself no little laurels for being able to produce so worthy a representative on such a state occasion.

The speech of Mr. Baldwin is pronounced by all to have been a truly eloquent and finished one, and even the Register, which is rather slow about sounding the praises of any, and especially those from western Iowa, publishes his address in full, and in an editorial thus speaks of it:

"The speech of Mr. Baldwin, of Council Bluffs, at the dedication of the supreme court chambers on Tuesday, was notable for its oratory and finish, and is talked of by those who heard it as being an effort that will be long referred to in discussions of orators. Mr. Baldwin is in fact an orator—possessing, in addition to a fine presence and very strong mental faculties, the fascinating graces of speech that give to oratory its power and charm. He is a young man, whose popularity in the state has the strength of large merit in himself, as well as the further fact of having a name traditional in Iowa for merit and greatness."

A Pleading Programme

The following is the programme for the entertainment for the benefit of the Industrial school to be held Monday evening in Temple hall:

Invocation.....Rev. Mr. Crofts
1. Greeting Song.....Children
2. Trio—Nocturne, Flute, Violin and Piano.....Badoletto, Tully and Miss Westcott.
3. Kindergarten Song.....Children
4. Due! The Fortune Teller.....Children
5. Kindergarten Song.....Children
6. Recitation—The Last hymn.....Mrs. Lyon
7. Song—Primrose Flowers.....Pinsuti
8. Kindergarten Song.....Children
9. Due!—Holy Mother, Guide His Foot-steps—From "Marianne".....Bermer
10. Recitation.....Professor Zerkowsky
11. Song—Dream.....Miss Wells
12. Good-Night Song.....Children
13. Benediction.....Miss Blanche Oliver.

Tickets are for sale at Bushnell's store. Admission, 25 cents.

An Investigation Ordered.

Some complaints having been lodged with the board of trustees of the Home of the Friendless concerning the management of that institution, an investigation has been ordered by that body. The substance of the complaints made to the board by private parties have already been given to the BEE readers. The following letters from the president and secretary of the board explain their purpose.

DOW CITY, Ia., June 10.—To the Editor of the BEE: Through the "BEE" and other sources of information, the charges preferred against the management of the "Christian Home" have come under our observation. Desiring that a full and impartial investigation may be had, I am instructed by Rev. George W. Robey, president of the association, to call a meeting of the trustees to convene at the home Wednesday, June 16, 1886, at 10 a. m.

It is hoped that responsible citizens of your city will present that the public may be made conversant with the details of the work. Every effort will be made to have a thorough investigation. To secure this end, any evidence in the possession of responsible parties is solicited and will be heard at that time.

In the interests of truth and right we will co-operate with the work which may be condemned or sanctioned as it shall merit. Truly yours,

WILLIAM E. RANDALL, Sec'y. H. of the F. Assn.
MALVERN, Ia., June 10.—To the Editor of the BEE: My attention has just been called to editorials in your paper of today and yesterday regarding the management of the Orphan's Home of your city. For the information of your readers, I would feel an interest in the matter. I beg leave to say that complaints of a similar character came to me, as president of the board of trustees, last Tuesday by private letters, and I presided at once to call a meeting of the board for Wednesday, the 16th inst., at which time a full and impartial investigation will be had. Those having grievances are invited to be present and state them. Respectfully,

GEORGE W. ROBEY, President of the F. Assn.

TAKING INMATES AWAY.
Last evening Mr. T. L. Canfield, one of the supervisors of Harrison county, arrived here and presented the following order at the home, and was given the names of the two boys named in the instrument:

LOGAN, June 10, 1886.
To the Manager of the Orphan's Home, Council Bluffs, Iowa: Please deliver to the bearer, T. L. Canfield, one of the boys of the supervisors of Harrison county, Iowa, the two boys in the orphan's home by the name of Peter and Willie Logans. A. J. Gilmore, Chairman Board of Supervisors, Harrison county, Iowa.

Attest: J. K. McGAVREN, Auditor.

'Rah for the Bluffs.
The following telegram was the occasion of much rejoicing last evening:

DRUMQUE, June 10.—J. L. Templeton, chief of the department, No. 50 first money on time. Win belt in state race. Time, 43.
T. H. GUANELLA.

Personal Paragraphs.
E. L. Shugart and wife, and Henry Metcalf and wife, returned yesterday from California.

Rev. T. J. Mackey goes to Woodbine to-night to preach and officiate at the confirmation of a class there.

H. C. Cheney, southwestern passenger agent, and in the city route, has returned from his southern trip.

Thos. M. Hart, of New Bedford, Mass., is in the city visiting his son, E. W. Hart, manager of the New York plumbing company.

Fever and Ague.
C. Vreeland, Hackensack, N. J., Feb. 22, 1885, writes that he has been troubled with fever and ague for over two years. Quinine would not cure him, though taken in very large doses. By taking five Brandreth's Pills a night for two weeks he was restored to perfect health.

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